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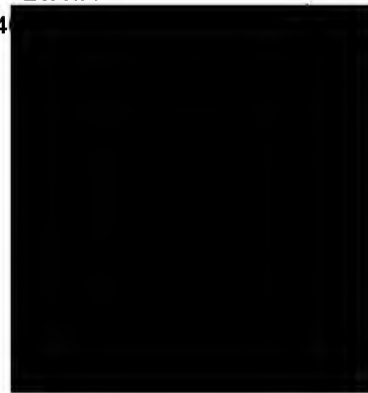
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November 17, 1967



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Mr. Benjamin C. Flannagan
Internal Security Division
Civil Section
Department of Justice
Room 424, Federal Triangle Building
Washington, D. C. - 20530

Re: William B. Richardson v.
S. S. Sokol, Commissioner,
Bureau of Accounts, Fiscal
Service, Treasury Department
United States Government
Civil Action No. 67-1358

Dear Mr. Flannagan:

In accordance with our telephone conversation of this morning, I am enclosing herewith a copy of the complaint filed by William B. Richardson relative to the Treasury's accounting practice with regard to the C.I.A.

The enclosed copy was obtained from our Clerk of Court since we were advised by the United States Marshal that service fees had not been deposited by the plaintiff and that, therefore, formal service of the complaint was being withheld.

Very truly yours,

Gustave Diamond
GUSTAVE DIAMOND
United States Attorney

Enclosure

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Judge Miller
IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF
PENNSYLVANIA

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WILLIAM B. RICHARDSON,
Plaintiff

-vs-

S. S. SOKOL, Commissioner,
Bureau of Accounts, Fiscal
Service, Treasury Department
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT,

Defendant

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Civil Action No. 67 1358

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1. Jurisdiction founded on the existence of a Federal question.
2. The action arises under the Constitution of the United States, Article I, Section 9, Clause 7.
3. This is an action for a declaratory judgment pursuant to 28 U. S. C., section 2201, for the purpose of determining a question of actual controversy between the parties, as hereinafter more fully appears.
4. Your Plaintiff has made demand and the Defendant refuses to discontinue the production of documents alleged to be published in compliance with Article I, Section 9, Clause 7 of the United States Constitution when these documents do not reflect the receipts and expenditures of all public money; furthermore, the Defendant insists that its documents comply with Article I, Section 9, Clause 7 of the Constitution but admits that it has no knowledge of the receipts and expenditures of at least one agency of Government and neither does it know the amount of public money this agency receives from the Treasury

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your Plaintiff contends he is deprived of his Constitutional right to a regular statement and account of the receipts and expenditures of all public money and that he is further entitled to a more forthright approach to the appropriation of public money.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands that the Court adjudge:

A. That it was the intent of Article I, Section 9, Clause 7, of the Constitution of the United States to make available to every United States citizen a regular statement and account of the receipts and expenditures of all public money published by an instrument of Government having a thorough knowledge of the flow of money in and out of the Federal structure and having indisputable access to all receipts and expenditures where public money is concerned.

B. That it is a condition precedent to the use of public money by a Government agency that its receipts and expenditures shall be available to the instrument of Government producing the statement and account required by Article I, Section 9, Clause 7 of the Constitution and no agency can be the subject of Government classification, security or otherwise, that would prevent its inclusion.

C. That subterfuge can play no part in producing the regular statement and account of the receipts and expenditures of the United States Government.

D. That subterfuge can play no part in drawing money from the Treasury.

E. That Public Law 110, 81st Congress, cited as the "Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949" is repugnant to Article I, Section 9, Clause 7 of the United States Constitution in that it:-

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Central Intelligence Agency from becoming available to the producers of what should be the regular statement and account of the receipts and expenditures of the United States Government and forces on the People an irregular statement and account.

(2) authorizes collusion between the Central Intelligence Agency, the Bureau of the Budget and "other agencies" to transfer public money in such a manner that certain so-called receipts and expenditures of the "other agencies" are transfers to and from the Central Intelligence Agency and not, in fact, receipts and expenditures of those "other agencies".

(3) authorizes depositories of public money within other agencies that draw on the Treasury to insulate the Central Intelligence Agency from any record of having drawn public money from the only Constitutional depository of record within the Federal system as far as the People are concerned.

(4) promotes double dealing in Government finance by taking money drawn from the Treasury "in consequence of appropriations made by law" which is limited in use to the mission of the drawing agency then transferring this money to the Central Intelligence Agency practically without limitation on spending and practically without accountability.

(6) undermines public confidence in the Government's ability to produce a regular statement of any kind.


WILLIAM B. RICHARDSON

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Remarks: <p>For your information, herewith a copy received from Justice of the complaint filed in Federal Court in Pittsburgh.</p> <p><i>E</i> <i>File: William B. Richardson</i> <i>Potential flap</i></p>			
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